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HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$15,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS.....
Sterling.....
\$1,500,000 at 2/-=\$15,000,000
Silver.....\$14,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....\$15,000,000

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HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per Cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 19th October, 1908. [24]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 per Cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at a PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1907. [28]

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL PAID UP.....GOLD \$3,250,000.
ABOUT MEX \$7,222,222

RESERVE FUND.....GOLD \$3,250,000.
ABOUT MEX \$7,222,222

HEAD OFFICE:
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LONDON BANKERS:
BANK OF ENGLAND.

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, LIMITED.

THE CAPITAL AND COUNTIES BANK, LTD.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS ALL OVER THE WORLD.

THE Corporation transacts every Description of Banking and Exchange Business, receives Money in Current Account at the rate of 4 per cent. on daily balances and accepts Fixed Deposits at the following rates:

For 12 months 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.
6 " 4 " " "
3 " 3 " " "

No. 9, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

W. M. ANDERSON,
Manager.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1908. [25]

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL-MAATSCHAPPIJ.

(Netherlands Trading Society.)

ESTABLISHED 1824.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Fl. 45,000,000 (€3,750,000).
RESERVE FUND Fl. 5,752,854 (about £479,407).

Head Office—AMSTERDAM.

Head Agency—BATAVIA.

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LONDON BANKERS:
THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LIMITED.

THE Bank buys and sells and receives for collection Bills of Exchange, issues letters of credit on its Branches and correspondents in the East, on the Continent, in Great Britain, America, and Australia, and transacts banking business of every description.

INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Accounts 2 1/2 per annum on daily balances.

Fixed Deposits 12 months 4 1/2 per annum.
Do. 6 " 4 " " "
Do. 3 " 3 1/2 " " "

J. L. VAN HOUTEN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1908. [26]

HOTEL CRAIGIEBURN,

PLUNKET'S GAP, the PRANK, near the TRAM TERMINUS Tel. 56.

For Terms, &c., apply to the

MANAGER.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1908. [25]

Banks.

YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....Yen 24,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS.....15,100,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies.

TOKIO. CHEFOO.
KOBE. TIENSIN.
OSAKA. PEKIN.
NAGASAKI. NEWOHAWANG.
LONDON. DALNY.
LYONS. PORT ARTHUR.
NEW YORK. ANTUNG.
SAN FRANCISCO. LIOYANG.
HONOLULU. MUKDEN.
BOMBAY. TIE-LING.
SHANGHAI. CHANG-CHUN.
HANKOW.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

On fixed deposit—

For 12 months.....5 1/2 per cent.
" 6 ".....4 1/2 " "
" 3 ".....3 1/2 " "

TAKAO TAKAMICHI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1908. [23]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....£1,200,000

RESERVE FUND.....£1,525,000

RESERVE LIABILITIES OF PROPRIETORS.....£1,200,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNT at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.

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PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STREAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
SHANGHAI	DELHI	About 30th Oct.	Freight and Passage.
	Capt. J. D. Andrews, R.N.R.		
LONDON, &c., via usual Ports	ASSAYE	31st Oct. Noon.	See Special Advertisement.
	Capt. G. L. Dangle		
LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	SUMATRA	4th Nov.	Freight and Passage.
	Capt. E. W. Bruce		
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SOMALI	31st Nov.	Freight and Passage.
	Capt. A. G. Cubitt, R.N.R.		

For Further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 19th October, 1908.

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THE ACME OF
SMARTNESS, COMFORT
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\$45.00 each.

OTHER MAKES

From \$25.00 each.

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EXTRA SPECIAL FINEST LIQUEUR

ARE THE BEST WHISKIES OBTAINABLE.

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Hongkong, 22nd September, 1908. [40]

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NOTICE.

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KENNEDY TOWN to CAUSEWAY BAY 10 cents first class.

(any distance) 5 " third "

CAUSEWAY BAY to SHAUKIWAN 10 " first "

(any distance) 5 " third "

Monthly tickets available for any number of journeys on any section of the line, for one Calendar month, may be obtained on application to the undersigned.

The charge for these tickets is \$10 each.
Monthly tickets are issued subject to the Bye-laws and Regulations of the Company, and to the following conditions:—
Payment to be made in advance in Hongkong Bank notes.

The tickets are not transferable and are available only during the month in which they are issued.
No refund can be made in respect of unexpired tickets.

SHEWAN TOMES & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 15th October, 1908.

J. GRAY SCOTT,

General Manager.

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Shipping—Steamers

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO

AND

WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF

THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND
THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM" 2,363 Tons, "FATSHAN" 2,260 Tons, "KINSHAN" 1,995 Tons,
"HEUNGSHAN" 1,998 Tons.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8 A.M. (Sunday excepted), 10 P.M. (Saturday excepted).

Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily at 8 A.M. and 5.30 P.M. (Sunday excepted).
These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River.
Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin Accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "SUI-AN" 1,651 Tons and "SUI-TAI" 1,651 Tons.

Departures from Hongkong to Macao on week days at 8 A.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf and at 2 P.M. from the Company's Wharf.

REDUCED SALOON RATES AT WEEK-END.

Saturday A.M. or P.M. departure, returning Sunday A.M. or P.M. \$5.00

Do. do. do. do. Monday do. \$6.00

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HOI SANG."

Departures from MACAO to CANTON on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 9 P.M.

Departures from CANTON to MACAO on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 5 P.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.,
THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM," 588 Tons, and "NANNING," 569 Tons.

One of the above steamers leaves Canton for Wuchow every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at about 8 A.M., and the other leaves Wuchow for Canton on the same days at 8.30 A.M. Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin Accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

EXCURSION TO MACAO

On SUNDAY, 25th October.

S.S. "SUI-AN"

will depart from the COMPANY'S WING LOK STREET WHARF, at 9 A.M.

Departure from Macao at 5 P.M.

Popular Excursion Rates as usual.

Machado's String Band will play selections of Music during the trip.

N.B.—The Company also runs a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 A.M. and from Hongkong at 1 P.M. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the—

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LD.,

HOTEL MANSIONS, (FIRST FLOOR),

opposite the Hongkong Hotel. [6]

Hotels.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

FIRST CLASS AND UP-TO-DATE.

Military Band during dinner on Saturday Nights

A. F. DAVIES,

Manager. [5]

GRAND CARLTON HOTEL

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The Most Luxurious, Quiet and Comfortable private Hotel.

Secluded from the endless noise of Jinrikshaws.

Excellent Accommodation for Single and Family Visitors.

Excellent Cuisine.

Centrally Situated.

Matron in Attendance.

For Further Particulars, apply

MANAGER.

Hongkong, 9th October, 1908. [790]

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(LATE CONNAUGHT HOTEL.)

QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.

CENTRALLY situated, up-to-date Hotel. Recently renovated, and under entirely New Management. Large and Comfortable Rooms, Excellent Cuisine and separate Tables, Hot and Cold Baths, Electric Light throughout. Terms moderate. First Class accommodation for Families and Tourists.

Under Personal Supervision of

L. GAMEAU,

Proprietor.

Mails.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,

BREMEN.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA	"KLEIST" Capt. F. Prosch	About WEDNESDAY, 21st October.
NAPLES, GENOA, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP, and BREMEN	"ZIETEN" Capt. F. Prosch	THURSDAY, 9 A.M., 22nd October.
MANILA, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, and MELBOURNE	"PRINZ SIGISMUND" Capt. D. Lenz	THURSDAY, 5 P.M., 5th November

For further Particulars, apply to

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

MELCHERS & CO.,

GENERAL AGENTS, HONGKONG & CHINA.

Hongkong, 19th October, 1908.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FRENCH MAIL LINES.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO and FROM EUROPE via SUEZ CANAL.
TO and FROM JAPAN via SHANGHAI.

FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAINS	TO SAIL ON
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA	TOURANE	Lancelin	26th Oct., P.M.
MARSEILLES, VIA PORTS	CALEDONNIEN	Martin	27th Oct., at 1 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA	ARMAND BEHIC	Guionnet	9th Nov., P.M.
MARSEILLES, VIA PORTS	POLYNESIEN	Broc	10th Nov., at 1 P.M.

Transshipment on the Co.'s Steamers at Singapore for Batavia; at Colombo for Calcutta, Bombay and Australia; at Port Said for the Levant, Constantinople and Black Sea.

Through Tickets to London via Paris from £37.10. up to £71.10. 20 hours' railway from Marseilles to London.

Interpreters meet passengers at their arrival in Marseilles.

For further particulars, apply to

P. NALIN,

ACTING AGENT,

QUEEN'S BUILDINGS.

Hongkong, 13th October, 1908.

CHARGEURS RÉUNIS.

FRENCH STEAMSHIP CO.—HEAD OFFICE: PARIS.

ALL ROUND THE WORLD LINE.

Outward: ANTWERP, DUNKIRK, LA PALlice, MARSEILLES, GENOA, NAPLES, COLOMBO, via SUEZ, SINGAPORE, HONGKONG, CHINA, WANTAO (Peking, Tientsin), KOBE, YOKOHAMA, GENOA to HONGKONG in 30 DAYS.

NAPLES 29

Unique opportunity to make a tour in North-China and Japan with the Greatest Speed, Safety and Comfort.

Trans-Pacific: VICTORIA (B.C.), VANCOUVER, SEATTLE, SAN FRANCISCO.

Connecting with the Canadian Pacific Railway.

FREIGHT to OVERLAND via VANCOUVER.

PASSENGERS to OVERLAND and EUROPE via VANCOUVER.

YOKOHAMA—VANCOUVER.....13 DAYS.

LONDON and PARIS.....26

Homeward: MEXICO, RIVER PLATE, BRAZIL, LA PALlice, LIVERPOOL via MAGELLAN STRAITS.

Proposed Sailings:

OCELAN26th Nov.

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S.S. "AMIRAL OLR" expected on the 18th October.

New-Twin Screw 16,000 Tons displacement, 1st class accommodation, splendidly equipped with single berth cabins.

* Intermediate class and rates of passage.

All round the world ticket by these boats, &c.

For further Particulars, apply to

P. NALIN, FRENCH MAIL OFFICE.

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WEST RIVER BRITISH STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.

HONGKONG-WOCHOW LINE.

THE Steamers "LINTAN" and "SAN-UI" sail from HONGKONG TWICE A WEEK and COMPLETE THE ROUND TRIP IN A DAY.

These steamers have Excellent Saloon Accommodation, and are Lighted Throughout by Electricity.

THE CLIMATE ON THE WEST RIVER DURING THE WINTER MONTHS IS VERY FINE AND EXHILATING.

For further information apply to—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

AGENTS,

WEST RIVER BRITISH S.S. COMPANY.

Sailing on 20th March, 1909.

Intimation.

THE YOKOHAMA DOCK CO., LTD.

No. 1 DOCK.

Length inside 514 ft. Width of entrance, top 95 ft.; bottom 75 ft. Water on blocks, 27.5 ft. Time to pump out, 4 hours.

No. 2 DOCK.

Length inside, 375 ft. Width of entrance, top 60.5 ft.; bottom 45.8 ft. Water on blocks, 28.5 ft. Time to pump out, 2 hours.

THESE DOCKS are conveniently situated in Yokohama harbour and the attention of Captains and Engineers is respectfully called to the advantages offered for Docking and repairing Vessels and Machinery of every description.

The plant and tools are of recent patterns for dealing quickly and cheaply with work and a large stock of material is always at hand, (plates and angles all being tested by Lloyd's surveyors).

Two powerful Twin Screw Tugboats are available for taking Vessels in or out of dock and for taking Sailing Vessels in or out of the bay. The floating derrick is capable of lifting 35 tons.

Steam Launches of Steel or Wood, Lighters, Steel Buildings and Roofs, Bridge Works, and all kinds of Machinery are made on the premises.

Tenders will be made up when required and the workmanship and material will be guaranteed.

The cost of Docking, and repair work, will be found to compare favourably with that of any port in the world.

Telephone: Nos. 876, 508, or 681.

Telegrams, "Dock, Yokohama," Codes A. B. C. 4th and 5th Ed.

Liebers, Sontags, A. I. and Watkins.

Yokohama, May 23rd, 1905.

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Shipping—Steamers.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN

REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN JAVA, CHINA, AND JAPAN

Steamer	From	Expected on or about	Will leave for	On or about
TJIPANAS	JAPAN	Second half Oct.	JAVA	Second half Oct.
TJIKINI	JAVA	Second half Oct.	JAPAN	Second half Oct.
TJILAJAP	JAVA	Second half Oct.	SHANGHAI	Second half Oct.
TJIMAH	JAVA	First half Nov.	SHANGHAI	First half Nov.
TJILIWONG	JAPAN	First half Nov.	JAVA	First half Nov.

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have Accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherland India Ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN

Telephone No. 375.

YOKO BUILDINGS, 1st floor, Hongkong, 14th October, 1908.

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MESSAGERIES CANTONNAISES.

FRENCH LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN HONGKONG, CANTON AND KOUANG-SI.

S.S. "PAUL BEAU", 1,900 tons, 14 knots.

S.S. "CHARLES HARDOUIN", 1,900 tons, 14 knots.

The speediest, most luxuriously appointed and punctual steamers on the line.

Departure from Hongkong at 10 P.M. (Saturdays excepted).

Departure from Canton at 5.15 P.M. (Sundays excepted).

These superb steamers carrying the French Mail are fitted throughout with Electric Light and Fans and were specially built for this trade. Excellent cuisine.

The Company's Own Wharf near Wing Lok Street and its berth in Canton opposite Shamoen.

For further particulars, please apply to the COMPANY'S OFFICE at Shamoen, Canton, or to their Agents

BARRETTO & CO., Hongkong.

Hongkong, 9th October, 1908.

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Hotel.

HOTEL PLEASANTON,

No. 17, Water Street, Yokohama.

FIRST CLASS PRIVATE HOTEL—Newly Opened and Furnished Suites or Single

Rooms, Private Baths, Modern Sanitary Fittings, Electric Light, Up-to-date Appoint-

ments, Renowned Cuisine, Dark Room for Photographers. Charges Moderate.

HENRY LUTZ,

MANAGER.

Hongkong, 16th July, 1908.

MORPHIA IN CHINA.

MEMORIAL FROM GOVERNOR OF KIANG-SU.

London, September 17.

The Peking Correspondent of the Times writes as follows under date August 23rd:—

In the Official Gazette of the 14th day of the seventh moon (August 10th), a memorial from the Ministry of Laws (Fa Pu) is published in which the members of that Ministry submit their views upon a memorial from Ch'en Ch'i-tai, Governor of Kiang-su, which was referred to them by the Throne on December 14th, 1907, for a report.

In this memorial the Governor requested that penalties might be determined for the sale of morphia and the manufacture of hypodermic syringes for the injection of morphia. He pointed out that the introduction into China of morphia and its use in the form of injection, had become very extensive. The use of morphia was worse than the opium habit, because there was some hope of curing the latter, whereas morphia was much worse in its effects and, in course of time, covered the bodies of its users with scars. The British and American Treaties contained a provision that morphia could only be imported for medicinal purposes under Customs permit. (This statement is inaccurate. The Article of the British Treaty prohibiting the importation of morphia only comes into operation on all the other Treaty Powers agreeing to its conditions. With the exception of Japan, however, all the other Treaty Powers have given their assent, and, in the case of Japan, this assent cannot be much longer delayed.)

In Article X. of the regulation for the suppression of opium, issued in 1906, it was laid down that the preparation of morphia and the manufacture of hypodermic syringes were strictly forbidden to Chinese and foreigners alike. Unfortunately, there are still unscrupulous persons who induce people to take injections of morphia, so that, in spite of the closing of the opium establishments, the poorer people who cannot lay in supplies are still able to satisfy their craving by the use of morphia syringes. Moreover, one injection, which only costs ten cash, will satisfy a craving that would require many tens of cash of opium to still. This state of things requires the imposition of severe penalties. The penalty laid down by law for the manufacture of virulent poisons capable of causing death or of allowing others to manufacture such poisons is death by decapitation, and a similar penalty is inflicted for the use of such poisons for causing death or knowingly selling them to others for that purpose. Now, the manufacture of poisonous syringes and the selling of them to others for the purpose of satisfying the opium craving whereby they are compelled to continue to use them until death ensues, is identical with the manufacture of virulent poisons that cause death. Formerly, under an old law, death was the penalty for the use of opium, and opium cannot be compared with morphia for deadly effect. If, therefore, the death penalty were applied, as in the case of the manufacture of deadly poisons, it would not be excessive. Inasmuch, however, as the motive for the manufacture and sale of these syringes and morphia is not to kill people but to make money, and the users thereof willingly court death to satisfy their craving, the circumstances are not quite the same. The memorialist, therefore, requests that the Ministry of Laws may be instructed to take the matter into consideration and so decide the penalty to be inflicted.

The Ministry of Laws endorse the views expressed by the Governor of Kiang-su and agree with him that there is little to choose between the manufacture of deadly poisons and the preparation of morphia or morphia needles for sale to those who wish to satisfy the opium craving, except in the fact that the motive for the sale of the latter is pecuniary profit and not the murder of individuals. As the British and American Treaties contain clauses to the effect that no morphia shall be permitted to be imported except for medicinal purposes, the Maritime Customs should be called upon rigorously to enforce this prohibition.

The penalty for the preparation and sale of opium was strangulation under the old law now repealed, and the Ministry suggest that the penalty for the manufacture of morphia needles shall be one degree less, or banishment to a pestiferous frontier, and that the same penalty, coupled with the closing of their shop, shall be inflicted on shop people who sell morphia without a Customs permit. They have further to request that the various Maritime Customs officers may be instructed to give publicity to the stipulations referred to.

On the 8th day of the sixth moon of the 34th year (July 16th 1908), the Imperial Decree was received:—

"Let it be as proposed."

THERAPION MAY NOW ALSO BE OBTAINED IN DRAGEE (TASTELESS) FORM.

THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY

TRADE MARK. THERAPION MARK.

This successful and highly popular remedy, used in the Continental Hospitals by Ricord, Kossan, Jobert, Vulp, and others, combines all the desiderata to be sought in a medicine of the kind, and cures every thing which it is employed to treat.

THERAPION No. 1 is a remarkably short time, often a few days only, remove all discharges, effectually supplanting injections, the use of which does irreparable harm by laying the foundation of stricture and other serious diseases. In dysentery, piles, irritation of the lower bowels, cough, bronchitis, asthma, and some of the more trying complaints of this kind, it will be found astonishingly efficacious, affording prompt relief where other well-tried remedies have been powerless.

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Sole by all Chemists.

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Public Company.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the Undersigned on FRIDAY, the 23rd inst., at Noon.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 23rd instant, 1908, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd October, 1908. [886]

Auction.

By ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEES.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MESSERS. HUGHES and HOUGH have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,

on

WEDNESDAY,

the 18th day of October, 1908, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road Central, (corner of Ice House Street),

THE FOLLOWING

VERY VALUABLE LEASEHOLD

PROPERTY,

situate at Victoria in the Colony of

Hongkong, viz.:

ALL THOSE TWO PIECES OR PARCELS OF GROUND situate at Victoria aforesaid and registered in the Land Office respectively as MAKINE LOT NO. 265 and MARINE LOT NO. 265 together with the messuages thereon known as Nos. 23, 24, 25, Praya, Kennedy Town.

Annual Crown rent payable in respect of Marine Lot No. 265—\$162.00, and in respect of Marine Lot No. 265—\$208.00. Area, Marine Lot No. 265—16,351 Square Feet, Marine Lot No. 265—18,805 Square Feet or thereabouts.

Each of the above Lots is held for the unexpired residue of the term of 999 years commencing on the 24th day of June, 1887.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to—

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,

Solicitors for the Mortgagees,

or to

Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH,

Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 13th October, 1908. [911]

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day resumed charge of the Company's affairs at this post.

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent,

P. & O. S. N. Co.

Hongkong, 19th October, 1908. [911]

INTERNATIONAL SLEEPING CAR

and

EXPRESS TRAINS Co.

(THE

GREAT TRANS-SIBERIAN ROUTE

TO EUROPE.)

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HAVING been appointed AGENTS for

the above Company, we shall be

pleased to give any information as to rates of

passage, &c., in connection with above.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

Agents.

HONGKONG, 21st July, 1907. [147]

Dentistry.

TSIN TING.

LATEST METHODS OF DENTISTRY.

STUDIO AT NO. 14, D'ARVILLE STREET.

REASONABLE FEES.

Consult on Free.

Hongkong, 10th June, 1904. [60]

Dr. M. H. CHAN,

THE LATEST METHOD

of the

AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY

31, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,

From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.

[60]

SWATOW DRAWN WORK

COMPANY,

38, WELLINGTON STREET.

Dealers in all kind of

HAND-MADE DRAWN CHINESE

LINEN, GRASS CLOTH, &c.

all of the best quality.

ALSO:

SWATOW BEST FETTERWARE

CANTON EMBROIDERY and CHINESE

LACERS

all from the best French patterns.

HONGKONG AND SWATOW.

Hongkong, 19th October, 1907. [1]

Intimations.

Powell's
ALEXANDRA
BUILDINGS.CHILDREN'S
OUT-FITTERS.Everything
for
Children's
Wear.Dainty
Frocks
and
Millinery.Serviceable
Tunics,
Jersey
and
Sailor Suits.Up-to-date
GOODS
at
Moderate Prices.POWELL'S
ALEXANDRA
BUILDINGS.

Hongkong, 20th October, 1908.

BULGARIA.

CONSTITUTION AND GOVERNMENT.

The Principality of Bulgaria was created by the Treaty of Berlin, signed July 13, 1878. It was ordered by the Treaty that Bulgaria should be constituted an autonomous and tributary Principality under the suzerainty of His Imperial Majesty the Sultan with a Christian Government and a national militia. The Prince of Bulgaria should be freely elected by the population and confirmed by the Sublime Porte, with the consent of the Powers, but no member of any of the reigning Houses of the Great European Powers should be elected.

Eastern Rumelia (since its union with Bulgaria also known as Southern Bulgaria) was created by the Treaty of Berlin, signed July 13, 1878. It was to remain under the direct political and military authority of the Sultan, under conditions of administrative autonomy, with a Governor-General nominated by the Porte. On Sept. 18, 1887, the Government was overthrown by a revolution, and the union of the province with Bulgaria proclaimed. As the result of the Conference held at Constantinople by the representatives of the signatory Powers of the Berlin Treaty during the latter months of 1887, the Sultan by imperial firman, April 6, 1886, agreed that the government of Eastern Rumelia should be conferred to the Prince of Bulgaria as Governor-General, the Muslim districts of Kirjali and the Ruphus (Rhodope) being re-ceded to the Porte. The rectification of the Organic Statute—chiefly as concerned the questions of the tribute and the customs—was undertaken by a Turco-Bulgarian commission sitting at Sofia, but its labours were abruptly brought to a close by the events which overthrew Prince Alexander on the night of August 30, 1886. The province for all purposes forms parts of Bulgaria. It is under the administration of Sofia, which is now the only recognised capital, Philippopolis being merely the centre of a prefecture.

By the Constitution of 1878, amended May, 1893, the legislative authority was vested in a single Chamber, called the Sobranje or National Assembly. The members of it are elected by universal manhood suffrage at the rate of one member to every 20,000 of the population. Those residing in the city where the National Assembly sits receive 15 leva (12s.) a day (including Sundays and holidays) during session, others, 20 leva (16s.) a day with travelling expenses. All over 30 years of age who can read and write (except the clergy, soldiers on active service or persons deprived of civil rights etc.) are eligible as representatives. The duration of the Assembly is five years, but it may be dissolved at any time by the Prince, when new elections must take place within four months. Laws passed by the Sobranje require the assent of the Prince. Questions concerning the acquisition or cession of territory, changes in the constitution, a vacancy on the throne, or the appointment of a regent have to be decided by a Grand Sobranje elected for the special purpose in a manner similar to that in which the ordinary Sobranje is elected, but with double the number of members.

The executive power is vested in a Council of eight ministers nominated by the Prince—namely: 1. Minister for Foreign Affairs and Public Worship. 2. Minister of the Interior. 3. Minister of Public Instruction. 4. Minister of Finance. 5. Minister of Justice. 6. Minister of War. 7. Minister for Commerce and Agriculture. 8. Minister of Public Works, Ways and Communications.

There is an Imperial Ottoman Commissioner of Unakula resident in Bulgaria.

AREA AND POPULATION.

The estimated area of the Principality of Bulgaria proper is 24,380 English square miles, and of South Bulgaria (or Eastern Rumelia) 13,700 square miles. By a census taken on December 31, 1905, the population of the whole Principality was ascertained to be 4,028,239, including the population of Eastern Rumelia, 1,174,535. Bulgaria is divided into 12 districts (including the 3 districts of Eastern Rumelia). The population, divided according to nationality, was as follows in 1905:—2,268,119 Bulgarians, 531,240 Turks, 71,163 Rumanians, 65,635 Greeks, 89,749 Gipsies, 33,661 Jews, 3,407 Germans, 1,684 Russians, and 58,814 of other nationalities. The present capital of the Principality is the city of Sofia, with a population of 82,187. The other principal towns, with population in 1905, are: Philippopolis (capital of Eastern Rumelia), 45,572; Rustchuk 33,532; Varna 37,133; Shumla 22,290; Slivov 15,049; Pleven 21,700.

RELIGION AND INSTRUCTION.

The national faith is that of the Orthodox Greek Church, though, in 1870, in consequence of its derelict and for acceptance of religious autonomy, the Bulgarian Church was declared by the Patriarch of Constantinople to be outside the Orthodox communion. The church is governed by the Synod of Bishops. An Exarch, resident at Constantinople, chosen by the Synod with the approval of the Sultan, dispenses ecclesiastical patronage as directed by the Synod and the parishes of the various dioceses, the approval of the Government being required for each nomination. There are 12 Exarchies or Bishopsrics. The clergy, both Orthodox and of other religious bodies, are paid by the State and also receive fees for services at burials, marriages, &c. Of the population in 1900, 3,020,840 belonged to the Orthodox Greek Church, 643,253 were Mohammedans, 33,719 were Jews, 27,004 were Catholics, 13,796 Armenian Gregorians, 4,514 Protestants. The Mohammedans are mostly in the northern and eastern provinces.

There is a university (école supérieure) at Sofia, with three faculties—History and Philology, Physics and Mathematics and Law. In 1903-04 it was attended by 706 students and there were 9 professional art lecturers.

In 1904-5 there were 3,105 elementary schools with 6,555 teachers and 307,376 pupils (198,811 boys and 108,565 girls).

For education the State grants a yearly subvention which provides for half the cost (two-

thirds in the case of the elementary school), the remainder being provided in towns by the municipalities and in villages by the communal authorities. Education is free and nominally obligatory for a period of four years (8-12). The richer parents are, however, required to pay 20 leva (16s.) a year for each of their children attending the higher schools. There are free public libraries at Sofia, Philippopolis, Varna, and Rustchuk.

FINANCE.

The estimated revenue and expenditure of Bulgaria for three years were as follows (in leva or francs, 25 leva=£1):—

Revenue.	1904.	1905.	1906.
106,163,400	111,570,000	117,953,000	

Expenditure.	106,149,400	115,544,056	117,948,120
F 1906 the chief sources of revenue are: direct taxes, 40,025,000 leva; indirect taxes, 34,610,000 leva. The chief branches of expenditure were: Public Debt, 32,060,362; War, 27,821,804; Interior, 7,659,802; Instruction, 10,581,975; Public Works 14,557,859 leva.			

16 January 1906 the outstanding debt of Bulgaria amounted to 389,582,482 leva, besides the East Rumelian tribute of 2,951,000 leva per annum, for which no capital value has yet been fixed. The debt was as follows:—E Rumelian debt to Turkey distinct from the tribute, 1,910,208 leva; 6 per cent. loan of 1878, 33,881,000; of 1889, 22,125,000; of 1892, 102,582,000; 5 per cent. loan of 1902, 104,712,500; 5 per cent. loan of 1904, 92,770,000; treasury bonds 1,833,609. A contract for a conversion loan of 145,000,000 leva at 4½ per cent. interest was signed on February 27, 1907. The loan is taken up at 85.

PRINCE FERDINAND.

Ferdinand, youngest son of the late Prince Augustus of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, and the late Princess Clementine of Bourbon-Orléans (daughter of King Louis Philippe) born in Vienna February 26, 1861, was elected Prince of Bulgaria by unanimous vote of the National Assembly, July 7, 1887; assumed the government August 14, 1887, in succession to Prince Alexander, who had abdicated September 7, 1889. His election was confirmed by the Porte and the Great Powers in March, 1896. On April 20, 1893, he was married to Marie Louise, (born January 17, 1870; died January 31, 1899) eldest daughter of Duke Robert of Parma, issue, Boris, born January 30, 1894; Cyril, born November 17, 1891; Eudoxie, born January 17, 1893; Nedra, born January 10, 1899.

In March, 1904, Prince Ferdinand was made Hon. G. C. B. by King Edward.

On Feb. 28, 1908, Prince Ferdinand married Princess Eleonore of Russ Koutitz.

The Prince must reside permanently in the Principality. The princely title is hereditary. In May 1893, the Grand Sobranje confirmed the title of "Royal Highness" to the Prince and his heir, and this style was recognised by the Porte and by Russia in April, 1896. The Prince retains the Roman Catholic faith, but his heir was on February 14, 1896, received into the Orthodox Greek Church.

The civil list is fixed (1905) at 1,200,000 leva (francs), besides 750,000 leva for the maintenance of palaces, &c.—Shanghai Mercury.

Intimations.

THE
CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND
MORTGAGE CO., LD.

(CAPITAL PAID UP £1,250,000)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &c.
Goods received on Storage.
Advances made on Merchandise.
Loans made on the Provident System.
(Rates and Particulars on application).

THE OFFICE OF
TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS,
ATTORNEY, &c.,
Undertaken and Executed.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 10th March, 1908. (48)

LEE YEE
HAIR DRESSING SALOON

HAS ALWAYS ON HAND

CIGARS, CIGARETTES

AND
TOILET REQUISITES

FOR SALE.

12, D'AGUILAR STREET,
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Therapion may now also be obtained
in DRAGON (TASTELESS) FORM.

A BROKEN-DOWN SYSTEM
This is a condition (or disease) to which doctors
give many names, but which few of them really
understand. It is simply weakness—broken down,
as it were, of the vital forces that sustain the system.
No matter what may be the cause (they are
almost numberless), its symptoms are much the
same: the more prominent being sleeplessness,
loss of appetite, loss of memory, depression of
spirits and want of energy for all the ordinary
duties of life. Now, what ails the broken-down
system? It is a lack of vitality—VITALITY—VIGOR—
VITAL STRENGTH & ENERGY

to throw off these morbid feelings, and experience
power that as night succeeds the day this may be
more certainly secured by a course of
THE NEW FRENCH REMEDY
THERAPION No. 3

that by any other known combination. So surely
as it is taken in accordance with the printed
directions accompanying it, will the shattered
system be restored.

THE EXPIRING LAMP OF LIFE
LIGHTED UP AFRESH.

and a new existence imparted in place of what
has lately seemed a morbid and wasted one.
This wonderful medicine is purely
vegetable and innocuous, is agreeable to the taste,
suitable for all conditions, and is equally effective
in either sex; and it is difficult to imagine a case of
disease or derangement, whose main features are
those of debility, that will not be speedily and
permanently benefited by this new-falling
restorative essence, which is destined to cast into
oblivion everything that had preceded it for this
widespread and numerous class of human ailments.

THERAPION is sold by
Chemists throughout the world. Price in England,
50 pence per packet. Purchasers should note that the word
"THERAPION" is blown in the glass of each bottle.
Stamp (in white letters on a red ground) affixed
to every package by order of His Majesty's Home
Secretary, and the name of the Proprietor, Dr. J. J. Ross.

Sold by all Chemists. (49-50)

Intimations.

WHAT IT WILL DO.

A woman buys a sewing machine for what it will do; not as an article of furniture. A man carries a watch to tell him the time; not as an investment of surplus capital. The same principle when one is ill. We want the medicine or the treatment which will relieve and cure. The friend in need must be a friend indeed—something, or somebody, with a reputation, with a good record, with a history that justifies our confidence. There should be no guesswork in treating disease. People have the right to know what a medicine is, and what it will do, before they take it. It must have behind it an open record of benefit to others for the same diseases—a series of cures that proves its merit and inspires confidence. It is because it has such a record that

WAMPOL'S PREPARATION

is bought and used without hesitation or doubt. Its Good Name is the solid basis for the faith the people have in it; and a good name has to be earned by good deeds. For the purpose for which it is commended it is honest, true and practical. It does what you have a right to expect it to do. It is palatable as honey and contains all the nutritive and curative properties of Pure Cod Liver Oil, combined with the Compound-Syrup of Hypophosphites and the Extracts of Malt and Wild Cherry. In Scrofula, Anemia, Nervous and General Debility, Influenza, Blood Impurities and Wasting Complaints, it is to be thoroughly relied upon. Dr. J. L. Carrick says: "I have had remarkable success with it in the treatment of Consumptions Chronic Bronchitis, Catarrh and Scrofulous Affections." It is of special value in nervous prostration and depraved nutrition; it stimulates the appetite and the digestion, promotes assimilation, and enters directly into the circulation with the food. I consider it a marvelous success in medicine." Every dose effective. "You cannot be disappointed in it." Sold by chemists.

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB
AND
HONGKONG VOLUNTEER TROOP.

A GYMKHANA will be held on the POLO GROUND on SATURDAY, 24th October, 1908, when the above Club and The Hongkong Volunteer Troop will be at Home to their friends.

The Ladies of Hongkong are cordially invited.

REGINALD F. C. MASTER,
Hon. Sec. and Treasurer.
Hongkong, 19th October, 1908. (922)

THE IMPERIAL COLONIAL CLUB.

THE above Club is formed chiefly for COLONIAL and OVER-SEAS MEMBERS; it is situated at No. 84, Piccadilly (the centre of Clubland), opposite the Green Park. The Club has a Bridge Room, Reception Dining, Billiard Room, Smoking Lounge, Reading Room and Library.

Ladies are eligible as Members.
Entrance Fee, Five Guineas, Annual Subscription, Five Guineas.

Further particulars from
THE ORGANISING SECRETARY,
84, Piccadilly, W.
London, 19th August, 1908. (769)

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 375 lbs. net \$5.50 per Cask
ex Factory.

In Bags of 250 lbs. net \$8.45 per Bag
ex Factory.

SHEWAN TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 15th August, 1908. (75)

FABST BREWING COMPANY,
MILWAUKEE.

FRESH SUPPLIES

ALWAYS KEPT IN STOCK

BY

SIEMSEN & Co.,

Agents for

HONGKONG & SOUTH CHINA.

Hongkong, 20th July, 1907. (100)

O. C. MOOSA,

1 & 8, D'AGUILAR STREET.

NOVELTIES OF THE SEASON.

Trimmed and Untrimmed

HATS, RIBBONS, FLOWERS,

FEATHERS, &c., &c.

LACE SCARFS, MOTOR VEILS

IN

VARIOUS COLORS.

MOUSQUETEIRE GLOVES

IN

WHITE, BLACK & COLORS.

WOOLEN DELAINES, NUNSVIL-

INGS, VOILES, &c., &c.

LADIES' and CHILDREN'S

UNDERCLOTHINGS.

Samples on application. Const

Port orders carefully executed.

Hongkong, 30th September, 1908. (150)

Intimations.

DR. W. R. LAMB,
AMERICAN OCULIST AND OPTICIAN.

KING EDWARD HOTEL ANNEXE NO. 21,
UNTIL OCTOBER 25TH, INCLUSIVE.

HAS the pleasure of announcing to the Citizens of Hongkong that he will extend his stay here until the 25th inst., as the time just announced has not been sufficient to attend to all who wish to consult him.

Dr. LAMB makes a specialty of Examining and Refracting the Eyes and Fitting Glasses, and he has all the modern instruments and apparatus, including the Javal Ophthalmometer and Electric Ophthalmoscope for examining and selecting the eyes in the most thorough and perfect manner, and according to the latest and most approved methods employed in the Metropolitan Eye Hospitals, by the best oculists abroad, and the largest supply and greatest variety of all kinds and styles of lenses and mountings of the best quality ever brought to this Colony, including over three thousand different spherio-cylindrical and prismatic lenses made specially to order for the correction of astigmatism and other Ocular troubles which the ordinary spherical lenses commonly used will not correct. The great majority—four fifths at least of those in need of glasses, require special lenses of this kind, which are always made to order and are absolutely necessary for the perfect correction of defective vision and the permanent maintenance of perfect sight.

Those who are troubled with weak or defective vision, who suffer from eyeache, headache in the orbital region, inflammation of the eyes or lids or weakness of the ocular muscles, or any of the numerous conditions due to eye strain and necessitating the use of glasses—and most of these troubles are permanently cured by accurate refraction and properly adjusted glasses—should avail themselves of the exceptional opportunity of having their eyes thoroughly and scientifically examined and refracted and obtaining glasses of the right kind, as this opportunity for completeness of apparatus and supply of lenses, thoroughness of examination, perfection of refraction which brings the vision up to the highest possible standard, and perfectly satisfactory results, is equal in every respect to the best obtainable anywhere abroad, as those who consult him are willing to attest.

Dr. LAMB is certificated in optics as well as in medicine and has made the Eyes a specialty for over 20 years so that all glasses supplied to his patients are warranted to be correct, and having thousands of references and testimonials from influential citizens of other British Colonies which he has visited professionally he can assure those in need of his services the most thorough, reliable and satisfactory professional work. Charges Reasonable. Consultation Free.

HOURS: 9 a.m. to 12 a.m. 2 to 5 p.m.

Hongkong, 17th October, 1908.

HONGKONG ST. ANDREWS SOCIETY.

ST. ANDREW'S BALL, 30.11.08.

AND

THREE PRACTICE DANCES.

SCOTSMEN desiring to subscribe to the above are requested to forward their names to the undersigned.

DAVID WOOD,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 23rd October, 1908. (890)

FRENCH STORE

(late A. Chazalon & Co.),

6, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

HAVE just received a Fresh Assortment

of AMERICAN GOODS comprising

the following:—

SALT HERRINGS, MACKERELS,

SALMON BELLIES, CADFISH,

BLOCKS, SPICED NORWEGIAN

ANCHOVIES, SARDELLES,

CANNED FRUITS, ASPARAGUS,

&c., &c., &c.

Hongkong, 22nd August, 1908. (10)

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

TIME TABLE

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. ...Every 10 minutes

9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. ...Every 15 minutes

11.00 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes

12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. ...Every 10 minutes

1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes

1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. ...Every 10 minutes

2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes

3.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes

5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. ...Every 10 minutes

NIGHT CARS.

8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m. to 11.15 p.m.

every half hour.

SUNDAYS.

8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. ...Every 15 minutes

9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. ...Every 30 minutes

9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. ...Every 15 minutes

10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. ...Every 10 minutes

11.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon ...Every 15 minutes

12.00 Noon to 1.00 p.m. ...Every 10 minutes

1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes

5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. ...Every 10 minutes

6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes

7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. ...Every 10 minutes

NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.

SATURDAYS.

Extra cars at 5.15 p.m., 11.30 p.m. and 11.45 p.m.

SPECIAL CARS by Arrangement at the

Company's Office, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS

Des Voeux Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 21st June, 1907. (57)

D. NOMA,

PROFESSIONAL TATTOOER

AND

THE EXPERT REMOVER OF TATTOO

MARKS,

No. 60 QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL.

PATRONISED by Prince of Wales, then

H. R. H. The Duke of York, and

H. R. H. The Emperor of Russia, and having

4,500 testimonials from all sources.

My 34 years' experience in tattooing is a

guarantee of good work and prompt execution.

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

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AERATED WATER MANUFACTURERS.

THIS SEASON'S SPECIALITIES:—

Lime Fruit
Champagne,
Dry Ginger Ale,
Lemon Squash,
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WATSON'S FRUIT SYRUPS

Mixed with Aerated or plain water make

DELICIOUS COOLING DRINK.

Guaranteed to be made from the PURE JUICE OF SOUND RIPE FRUIT.

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HONGKONG, CHINA AND MANILA.

ESTABLISHED 1841.

Hongkong, 29th September, 1908. [33]

BIRTHS.
On October 10, 1908, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. H. Brock, a daughter.
On October 11, 1908, at Shanghai, the wife of JAMES TIPPIN, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.
On October 11, 1908, at Shanghai, the Rev. ALBERT CASTLETON, of the English Baptist Mission, Chow Ping, Shantung, to EDITH GAZE, of Norwich, England.

DEATHS.
On 19th October, 1908, at No. 1, Lytleton Road, Hongkong, Madame E. RICCO, aged 42 years. (Shanghai and French papers please copy). [39]

On October 12, 1908, at Chefoo, PHILIP EDWARD THOMAS HOSKING, of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company, aged 28 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1908.

THE ANTI-OPPIUM CAMPAIGN.

OPPIUM SMOKER'S LICENSES.

The Central Government has carried out the order promulgated in the Imperial Edict and the Ministry of the Interior has issued regulations to the effect that all opium smokers shall obtain a license. It is therefore ordered that during the 9th moon, from the sixteenth day to the 30th, all opium smokers shall go to the Police stations in their districts and there obtain a license. Three kinds of licenses will be issued—One for the right to purchase opium; one for the right to purchase the poppy (these must be renewed every three months); The third is a visitor's license, which must be renewed monthly. The cost of the license will be regulated according to the quantity of opium taken. The rate will be 20 cents per candareen of opium and one hundred cents per taal. The various licenses shall not be mixed together so that a license for buying opium shall preclude the licensee from holding a license for the purchase of the poppy. Visitors' licenses shall only be issued to licensed smokers who may temporarily visit the Capital and these licenses must be returned to the police station on the departure of the licensee from the town. Any licensed smoker who cures himself of the habit must return his license to the police. Opium dealers shall make a report every 30 days and they must show a steady decrease in sales. Each house shall get its license but there will be gradually withdrawn. The Central Police Station has notified the opium dealers that from the first day of the 9th moon, no opium may be sold unless the purchaser produces his license and a warning is issued that all smokers shall gradually decrease the quantity which they consume so that ultimately the Imperial orders may be duly complied with. Regulations are issued with the licenses, at the Police Station.

Chinese Public Opinion.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

MRS. Tiedemann, wife of Mr. P. M. Tiedemann, Russian Consul at Hongkong, arrived in the Colony to-day by the s.s. Knechtel from Chefoo.

INSPECTOR Withers prosecuted two Shau-ki-wan shopkeepers in the Police Court, to-day, for having scales in their possession which were not up to the standard weight. They were each mulcted in the sum of \$10.

OUR Canton correspondent reports that the amount of Likin dues collected during the first and second ten days of the 9th moon in Canton, as reported by the Likin Bureau, was taels 48,157.32 and taels 58,770.23, respectively.

A GERMAN pointer dog was sold at Messrs. L. Moore & Co.'s sportsmen's auction at Shanghai on 9th inst. for Tls. 210; several English pointers were sold at Tls. 50 and upwards; 12-bore medium quality sporting guns realized Tls. 70-80. The houseboat *Premaux* was sold for Tls. 830; a kerosene motor launch was with drawn at Tls. 1,750, and the little houseboat *Ark* at Tls. 105.

BEFORE the business of the Criminal Sessions was opened this morning, Mr. Justice Gompertz asked the question: "When will the manslaughter case be taken?" This was the case in which the contractor of a number of houses which collapsed at Shau-ki-wan during the last typhoon was indicted. The Attorney-General replied that he would rather not refer to the case at this stage.

A VERY interesting case will be heard in the Police Court next Friday. The parties are: Quartermaster Sergeant Castle, R.G.A., and John Lambert, an assistant in the firm of Messrs. Palmer and Turner. The parties accuse each other of assault. If a report which is current can be relied on there is likely to be a mild sensation. Mr. E. J. Grist is appearing for the plaintiff. Mr. P. W. Goldring for the defence.

THE str. *Tuckoo* on arrival here last Saturday, the *Hankow Mail* of 12th inst. says, reported passing a steamer ashore below Cocks Head, believed to be the Japanese steamer *Joobi Maru*, which left Shanghai for Hankow with a cargo of railway sleepers about the 2nd of October in charge of a Japanese pilot. She appears to be badly ashore and will probably have to lighten a considerable part of her cargo before she can get off.

PRICE CHING has issued a notification to the various staffs of the Grand Council, Grand Secretariat, The Bureau for the Compilation of Constitutional Records and Council of State Affairs that, henceforth, documents passing through the hands of each person are to be signed by him and that such person is to be held responsible for such knowledge of such document or documents that may leak out to those who have no right to it.

THE steamer *Zikini* arrived in port this morning from the Dutch East Indies. She brought with her 125 deportees, who were landed and taken to police headquarters. A couple on arrival there had to be sent to the hospital as they were in a very bad condition. Steps are being taken to ship the remainder to their respective homes. Those bound for Canton were despatched this evening. The Amoy and Swatow men will have to wait until a ship can be got for them.

PURSUANT to an order issued on 15th inst. by Judge Charles H. Smith, of Manila for the destruction of lottery tickets seized on the steamer *Tsun-on* April 14, the Insular Collector of Customs has detailed a board to perform this duty. There were six hundred and twenty-three tickets on the steamer. Lottery seized at that time and the board which will see to their destruction will consist of Ezra W. King, B. L. Burdette, and J. S. Waddington of the custom house staff.

SIX men were arrested in Japan on the 10th ultimo and are now being examined on a charge of attempting to forge Russo-Chinese Bank notes. The ringleader is said to be a resident of Shimabara, and the other prisoners include a lithographer residing at Nagasaki, who was hired on June 15 to execute the printing. The requisite materials were obtained, including a ten-rouble note, and the work was being executed at Shimabara when the police were informed and the arrests were made.

At the instance of Sergeant Gordon, of Cheung-chau Police Station, a fisherman named Chan King Sing was prosecuted in the Police Court, to-day, for larceny. Mr. Otto Kong Sing appeared for the defence. Chan, it was alleged, was formerly in the employ of a man named Wong F. T. On, who carries on a salt fish shop at Cheung-chau. On the 9th instant, it was asserted that during the absence of his master Chan stole \$150 from a locked drawer and disappeared. When he was arrested a sum of \$40 was found in his possession. The case was remanded.

THE drills at the Volunteer Camp at Stonecutters Island are in full swing. Last night, instruction was given with 15 pdr. guns and this morning musketry practice took place at the 200 yards range, when some good scores were put up. The men mounted for guard duty from dusk to dawn do full justice to the strenuous side of camp life by their discipline. On the 1st November, at 12.30 p.m., the inspection by H.E. the Officer Commanding the Forces in South China takes place, when the men will turn out in full review order. A series of gun practices is to be held on the 21st, 24th, 26th and 31st instant. On the last-mentioned two dates, H.E. the Governor and Lt. Col. Chamberlain, C.M.G., respectively, will be present to inspect the men.

S.S. "Haiyang"

NEW DOUGLAS STEAMER.

EXPECTED HERE ON SUNDAY.

Messrs. Douglas, LaPrak & Co. kindly inform us this morning that the new steamer *Haiyang*, recently built for the Douglas S. S. Co., Ltd., of which they are the general managers, left Singapore for Hongkong on her maiden voyage yesterday. She is expected to arrive in Hongkong on Sunday next and will be placed, without undue delay, on the coasting service in which the vessels of the Douglas Co. have been the pioneers and familiar representatives for quite a number of years. In referring to the latest addition to his Company's fleet of steamers, the chairman of the Douglas S. S. Co., at the last annual meeting of shareholders last month, remarked that in the new steamer *Haiyang* the Company have a first-class boat, thoroughly up-to-date in respect of cargo and passenger requirements, which, while having more than double carrying capacity of the *Haimin*, will cost but little more in running expenses, and he anticipated it would prove economical as regards upkeep and docking expenses.

The *Haiyang* was launched on the 29th July last, and in the *Greenock Telegraph* and *Clyde Shipping Gazette* of the following day there appeared a full description of the *Haiyang*. That paper said:—There was launched yesterday from the yard of Messrs. David J. Durolap and Co., engineers and shipbuilders, Inch Works, Port-Glasgow, a first class passenger and cargo steamer built to the order of the Douglas Steamship Company of Hongkong. The new steamer is an enlarged and improved *Haimin* previously built by Messrs. Dunlop and Co. for the same owners, and which has proved herself eminently satisfactory and specially adapted in all respects for service on the coast of China, and as a Government transport. The following are the principal dimensions and particulars of the vessel, viz.: Length between perpendiculars, 300 feet 6 inches; breadth (moulded), 38 feet; depth (moulded) to spar deck, 25 feet; gross tonnage, about 2,300 tons. Built to Lloyd's highest class as a spar deck steamer, and all the requirements of the Board of Trade for foreign-going passenger vessels will be adopted. The rig is that of a two-masted fore and aft schooner, and special arrangements for quick loading and discharging of cargo by means of numerous derricks, winches, and other necessary appliances have been fitted. The propelling machinery, provided and fitted by the builders consists of one set of triple expansion engines of their own design having cylinders 24, 35, and 57 inches diameter by 39 inches length of stroke, steam being provided by two multitubular boilers 14 feet 6 inches diameter by 10 feet 8 inches long, all proportioned for a working pressure of 180 lbs. per square inch, and in addition a large dooskey boiler is fitted for working all deck machinery, including winches, windlass, electric lighting, etc. The steamer is of handsome appearance and modelled so as to obtain a good speed on a low consumption of fuel. The accommodation for passengers and officers has been designed and arranged to ensure the utmost comfort and all the latest up-to-date fittings provided as is usual in a first class passenger steamer trading in warm climates. Amongst those present at the launch were: Mr. J. H. Lewis, of Douglas, LaPrak and Co., Hongkong; Mr. and Mrs. Jas. H. Lewis; Mr. Long Jones, Miss Herzer, Mr. and Miss Durolap, Misses Clark, Miss Muir, Mr. and Mrs. MacIntosh, Misses MacIntosh, Captain and Mrs. Hodgins, etc. As the steamer left the ways she was named *Haiyang* by Mrs. Jones, sister of Mr. Lewis of Douglas, LaPrak and Co. Since the commencement of construction in February last the *Haiyang* has been under the direct superintendence of Mr. W. F. MacIntosh, the company's engineer, who also superintended the construction of the *Haimin*, and who will take charge of the machinery department of the *Haiyang*. The new steamer will be commanded by Captain A. E. Hodgins, who has just arrived here from Hongkong.

S. S. "BINTHOY"

EXCURSION TRIP TO-DAY.

No one who can recall the former s.s. *Sorogon* before her foundering in the big typhoon of September 18, 1906, will recognise the s.s. *Bintboy* the old craft that had recently been converted into practically a new boat since her purchase from the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. by a French firm in Tonkin. Messrs. Wilks and Jack, Ltd., bought the old *Sorogon* on behalf of her new owners and under their superintendence the vessel was overhauled and a new set of boilers put into the hull. The electric installation and equipments were attended to by Messrs. Wilks & Jack. After the repairs had been completed the *Sorogon* was re-named the *Bintboy*, since changed to the *Haiyang*. The steamer is a handsome looking little craft, and was taken out on a cruise shortly before noon to-day. Her handy site and smart appearance as she steamed across the harbour convinced even lay observers that her French owners have made a bargain in the trim little vessel which is eminently suitable for the coasting trade in which she will be employed.

As in previous years there is to be an International Walking Match at Shanghai this autumn, and at a meeting on 14th inst. of the committee in charge of last year's competition arrangements were made for the holding of this year's event. The meeting took place in the Russo-Chinese Bank, and after discussion it was resolved to hold the Walk on Sunday, November 29th, the conditions and route to be practically the same as last year. Mr. R. W. Haidjo was appointed Hon. Secretary, with the following Committee:—Messrs. M. Speelman (Chairman), O. R. Bennett, A. Brady, F. J. Burrett, M. Chepur, R. J. Farson, J. McKis, T. Nolasco, N. B. Ramsey, Col. Bruce, Capt. Mallet and Dr. Fretton.

Floods in Kwangtung.

DETAILED CASUALTY LIST.

OVER A THOUSAND HOUSES COLLAPSED.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 19th October.

The disastrous floods in the various districts of the North River are now reported to have all subsided. Some 150 lands in the district of Hoi Ping only are still inundated with pools of water here and there as reminders of the dreadful visitation. A report giving in detail the names of the villages that were inundated and the number of houses that have collapsed and the number of lives lost in each case, in the Hoi Ping district alone, has been received from the first party despatched by the Central Relief Committee. The report states that it is:—

Village.	Houses collapsed.	Homeless persons awaiting relief.
Lin On Tai	50	215
Ping Ping	126	240
Hai Lai	148	448
Sai Tam Wai	173	704
Shik Tai Kung	26	100
old & new	70	345
Long Ha Mun	21	70
Fook Lung Li	19	85
Kong Tou Li	5	30
Nam Hong Li	37	140
Tung Hong Li	46	205
Long Shing Mun	39	160
Kong Lung	26	67
Ping Tong	42	153
Kong Chui and	40	150
Wai Chui	35	255
Pak Fook On Li	35	255
Total	1,024	4,020

In Chik Ham, the suburb of Fui Ping, 235 houses of the clan Sze-tai in Tai Kai village collapsed; 705 houses in Yuen Kwai and Yuen Luk villages of the clan Kwan collapsed; 31 houses in the Chu Chik village collapsed; 50 houses in Sheung Tong village collapsed; 31 houses in Song Yuen village collapsed; 65 houses in Ha Tong village collapsed; 43 houses in Mui Pin Lung Tsui village collapsed; 47 houses in Kwong Ling Li village collapsed; 72 houses in Pak Chap village collapsed, and 68 houses in Tong Mee village collapsed.

Another urgent telegram was received at 8 o'clock yesterday evening by the Central Relief Committee from the magistrate of Hoi Ping district in which that official pleads, in earnest terms, the Relief Committee and the different charitable institutions for further supplies of provisions for the sufferers in his district.

During the past two days meetings have been held by the different charitable institutions, the Relief Committee, and other private organizations to arrange for further supplies of provisions and necessities to be sent to the flooded districts for the relief of the sufferers.

Up to this morning over twenty steam-launches have been despatched on expeditions to the affected districts with supplies on board to the rescue of the poverty-stricken people who are now in urgent need in the devastated places.

The Self-Government Society has received a telegram from Kongmoon to the effect that, after the disastrous floods, which have ruined the people's cases of robbery are frequent occurrence in the market-places of San Cheung, Pui Hoi and Cheung Sha. The Self-Government Society was asked for assistance in the shape of food stuffs as well as their co-operation in devising measures for protection against similar disasters in future. On receipt of the message, the Society at once petitioned the Viceroy informing His Excellency of the facts and asked him to take steps to afford protection to the affected peasantry.

The district of Yeung Chun in the sub-prefecture of Yeung Koo, was also inundated, and a telegram has been received from the local officials begging for help.

The Shan Hoi Chu has again detailed the gunboats *Pu On* and *Fook Wai* for expeditionary service with rice for distribution in the flooded districts.

JEALOUSY AND REVENGE.

KNIFE "JUGGLERS" IMPRISONED.

In the presence of a number of interested spectators, three men, who were arrested on suspicion of having taken part in a recent stabbing affray at West Point, were dealt with in the Police Court, this forenoon. The trio were charged with assaulting a woman and two men occasioning bodily harm, and with being in possession of dangerous weapons without police sanction. On these charges the first two defendants were found guilty and Mr. J. R. Wood sentenced each to six months' hard labour, while the third man was discharged.

The facts of the case as they were told during the trial were that on the 12th of last month a number of men, who were undoubtedly hired for the purpose, called at and gained admittance to a house of doubtful character at 9, Yue Yik Lane. The men were shown into the drawing room where they waited for some time, not a word being passed between them. Some five minutes later a woman named Chan I Mui entered the parlour and proceeded to make her apologies to one of the men for the delay, when she was struck on the back from behind by one of the visitors with a fighting knife which he united from his girdle. He unfortunately missed his mark and the knife fell to the floor. Her cries were heard by two other men, who were seated in an adjoining room, and they proceeded to ascertain the cause. They had no sooner stepped into the drawing-room than they were set upon by the others. A fierce encounter followed, knives were produced, and the two men were severely stabbed about the head and arms. Meanwhile the police had been sent for and on their arrival several minutes later they arrested three men, the others having escaped. The three victims were sent to hospital, where they were detained for several days. Soon after the injured people had been despatched to the infirmary the police, in the presence of the prisoners, searched the drawing-room and found concealed under the chairs and tables two swords and five fighting irons.

The trial of the accused lasted many days, after which they were committed for trial. Some of the accused were returned to the Police Court for sentence which is given below.

Telegrams.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

ANTI-FOREIGNISM IN SHANGHAI.

CHINESE OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED REGATTA.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, 19th October, 5.45 p.m.

In a proclamation issued by the Taotai to-day he warns all foreigners against participating in the proposed regatta at Henli.

The proclamation states that the natives in the vicinity of Henli have held an indignation meeting as a protest against the regatta to be held on the 23rd and 24th inst.

The Taotai adds that if foreigners choose to participate in the regatta they do so at their own risk; he disclaims all responsibility.

[This telegram was received too late for yesterday's issue.—Ed., H. K. T.]

TAOTAI'S OBJECTION WITHDRAWN.

CONSULAR INTERVENTION SUCCESSFUL.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, 20th October, 2 p.m.

As a result of the Consular Body's intervention, on behalf of the Committee of the Rowing Club, the Shanghai Taotai has withdrawn his objection to the regatta being held at Henli on the 23rd and 24th inst.

The *Shanghai Mercury*, of 19th inst., says:—The autumn regatta of the Shanghai Rowing Club, which is to take place on that beautiful stretch of water at Henli, near Quinsan, promises to eclipse all previous functions of the kind in point of success. The Committee of the Club have been busily engaged during the past week in making preparations for the event, and in view of the fact that the first Interport Rowing match ever held in this district will take place, a large number of spectators should make the journey to Quinsan on Friday and Saturday next, 23rd and 24th October. There is to be accommodation for over 300 people on the Grand Stand which will be erected near the station and which will command a superb view of the course. The Railway Company's caterer will have charge of the catering arrangements and for this purpose a large tent will be erected on the Soochow side of the reach, to which access may be had by means of a free ferry. The application for houseboat moorings have already been more numerous than last year, and should further applications be made the secretary will be able to make arrangements for additional accommodation. Details of the railway arrangements have already appeared in these columns.

The crews are training with the usual keenness and some of the events are sure to be closely contested. The Internationals will be represented by England and Scotland only; the German crew, to the regret of many, having scratched. The English eight times out practically every night and are at present the favourites though the Scots are not much lacking in the way of training. The Scottish four will probably give a better account of themselves than the eight, as the latter crew contains quite a number of novices. The Griffin, besides being exceptionally numerous this year, are training hard and a few have promise of the making of good rowers.

INTERPORT CRICKET.

PRACTICE GAME AT SHANGHAI.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, 20th October, 2 p.m.

The Hongkong cricket team arrived here last evening.

The cricketers are engaged at practice to-day.

The weather is perfect and the opening match to-morrow promises to witness a record attendance at the field.

THE DALAI LAMA.

PRECEDENCE OVER PRINCES.

[By courtesy of the "Shung Po."]

Peking, 19th October.

On the occasion of Her Majesty the Empress Dowager's birthday, it is proposed to allot to the Dalai Lama a seat, which takes precedence over those of Princes, to witness the theatrical performances.

Telegrams.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

ANTI-OPPIUM CAMPAIGN.

POPPY CULTIVATION.

[By courtesy of the "Shung Po."]

Peking, 19th October.

It is proposed by the Central Government to ask for reports from the various provinces as to the best methods to be adopted for reducing the area under poppy cultivation within the Empire.

CHINA'S CURRENCY.

THE NEW REGULATIONS.

[By courtesy of the "Shung Po."]

Peking, 19th October.

The majority of the Foreign Ministers in Peking are in favour of the regulations, relating to China's currency, which are about to be enforced.

The Chinese currency question is once more on the tapis of discussion. Both the Chinese financiers and the Chinese Press agree that a uniform currency in China is urgently needed as the present uncertain value of the non-existent tael affords a loophole for a lot of squeezes on the part of both officials and merchants, and is hampering trade to no small extent. One who is unaccustomed to the method of Chinese finance will find the present Chinese currency question a mixed and intricate problem to solve. The foreigners who have studied the question on the spot have advised a gold standard for China, but the Chinese are not favourable to such a change at the present juncture. One of the main questions which H. E. Tang, hsi-Yi is going into during his tour, is that of currency, and his opinion is awaited with no small anxiety by both the foreigners and the Chinese. In the meantime an Imperial Edict on Chinese currency has been issued, a translation of which appeared in the issue of the *Chinese Public Opinion* of the 8th inst. The substance of this Edict is a memorial on finance which Commissioner Yi Kung and Prince Pu Luo, the President of the Constitutional Bureau, have sent in to the Throne. It states that as Foreign Powers take gold coins as a standard and copper coins as a lowest currency based on this, their monetary systems are very convenient to regulate. If Chinese finance is attempted to be organized on a similar basis the cost will be enormous as the present currency is so mixed and intricate. As the capital for such a standard cannot be raised it would be extremely dangerous to introduce a nominal gold standard when China does not possess the gold coins. This is the reason that the memorialists think that China will take some time to reform her currency in such a manner as not to cause distress. As the tael, mace and candareens have been used for such a long time in China as the standard, the populace have grown so accustomed to them that any alteration cannot be made without extreme difficulty. This was also the view formerly taken by the Chamber of Finance.

The Edict settles that a silver coin weighing one-tael Kuping shall be the standard of Chinese money and coins of one mace and five candareens shall also be struck and issued so that the currency may flow regularly. The tael coins and those of high value shall be made of 98 per cent pure silver and the small subsidiary of 88 per cent. Agreements should be come to with foreigners for the acceptance of these coins and all Yamen should be notified that hereafter all incomes and expenditures must be made according to the standard and no questions of weights, colour, etc. shall be utilised in place of these coins. The Viceroy and Governors of various Provinces are ordered to investigate the public funds of all kinds and show in a clear way to the Board of Finance the amount of profit or loss which the change may bring to that everything may be placed on a correct basis. The Edict goes on to point out that the present debased currency is due to false coins which have reaped profits to themselves. The Board of Finance is ordered to draw up regulations to govern strictly the currency so that in due course the currency of China may all come under one system. The proposed coins have not yet been minted, so in the meantime dollars and subsidiary coins must be used as before, but year by year this money will be withdrawn from circulation and replaced by the new currency. This shall be left to the hands of the Board of Finance.—*Shanghai Free Press*.

NATIONAL BONDS.

PROPOSED ISSUE.

[By courtesy of the "Shung Po."]

Peking, 19th October.

The Ministry of Posts and Communications has decided to issue national bonds, the head office to be established in Peking.

The Provincial telegraph offices will be appointed agencies.

Telegrams.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

FORESHORE RIGHTS.

NO SALE TO FOREIGNERS.

[By courtesy of the "Sheng Po"]

Peking, 19th October.

The Waiwupu has wired to H.E. Tuan Fang, Viceroy of Liang Kiang, to prohibit the sale to foreigners of foreshore rights.

[Reuters.]

Germany and Japan.

London, 17th October.

The Japanese Ambassador to Germany, Mr. Stenl Chinda, has been received in audience by the Kaiser, with whom the most friendly speeches were exchanged.

His Majesty referred in particular to the visits of the Japanese warships, and the sending of Prince Kuni to Germany.

Prince Kuni was also received in audience by His Majesty to-day.

18th October.

His Majesty the Kaiser has conferred the Order of the Black Eagle on Prince Kuni of Japan.

President Roosevelt.

President Roosevelt will visit London and Paris early in 1910, after his South African trip.

The European Situation.

According to a communiqué which has been published in Rome, England, acting in agreement with Russia, has confidentially communicated to the other cabinets a slightly modified programme to be submitted to the proposed European conference.

It is understood that there are some divergencies among the Powers regarding terms, but these are believed to be removable.

Later.

In Europe a calm has supervened while the Powers are discussing the programme of the proposed conference.

Montenegro and Serbia are quiescent, trusting that they have scared Europe into rewarding them.

Bulgaria is the uncertain factor, keeping her army on a war footing, and provoking Turkey to resort to defensive measures.

A collision between these two is always possible.

Russia and Persia.

The *Novoye Vremya*, in a significant article, declares that the ruin of her commerce, the damage to her prestige, and the menace of political complications, may force Russia to undertake the appeasement of the Persian province of Azerbaijan.

LOST CHAIRS RECOVERED.

MAN IN WHOSE POSSESSION THEY WERE DISCHARGED ON QUESTION OF LAW.

A remarkable decision was given by Mr. J. R. Wood in a case heard in the Police Court, to-day. His Worship practically came to the conclusion that no person having stolen goods in his possession and stored in his house could be convicted. He was of opinion that the person must be arrested in the street with the goods in his possession, before anything could be done.

This decision was given in a case in which the master of a second-hand shop in Lower Lascar Row was accused of being in unlawful possession of two wooden chairs, the property of Mrs. Higby, wife of Sergeant-Major Higby, of the Hongkong Volunteers. The chairs, which were valued at \$1.50 each, disappeared from the verandah of the lady's house a day or two ago. The police were notified and after a search they were found in defendant's shop. Questioned as to how he came in possession of them, he replied that he had purchased them from a coolie whom he did not know. Asked the price he paid for them, he replied forty-five cents.

When the evidence had been heard his Worship, having given his opinion on the matter, asked the prosecutor—Inspector Ritchie—to withdraw the charge. The inspector declined, however, stating that convictions had already been recorded in similar cases. The accused was then discharged.

INTRAPOLO POLO.

PROSPECTIVE VISIT TO MANILA.

The Hongkong polo team has been heard from and before definite arrangements can be made for a tournament it will be necessary to decide upon ponies and a common set of rules, reports the *Manila Times*. The Hongkong team plays on Chinese ponies which are about 13.1, and the Australian ponies used here are at least one hand higher. The officers here play according to the rules of the American Polo Association and those at Hongkong play the English method.

While the teams here do not use the off-side play, they could adjust themselves in a short time to the English style, and the question of difference in horses would be the only one to consider. Captain Bannan is in communication with the Hongkong team and is trying to arrange for a tournament in January.

KING'S BIRTHDAY BALL.

A MISUNDERSTANDING REMOVED.

We are favoured with the following communication from the Private Secretary to H.E. the Governor:—

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph." Dear Sir,—As some misunderstanding appears to prevail regarding the invitations to the Ball at Government House to celebrate His Majesty's Birthday, I am directed by His Excellency to request you to be so good as to give publicity to the fact that there never was any intention of making any change whatever in the custom which always prevailed in the Colony, and which was observed on the last occasion when His Excellency had the pleasure of celebrating the King's Birthday.—Yours truly,

A. J. BRACKENBURY,

Government House,
October 20th, 1908.

EXTENSIVE ROBBERY.

COMPRADORE'S FORTUNE CHARGED.

In Pan Nam, a *foh*, formerly in the employ of U Chung Shun, compradore to Messrs. Skott and Company, was charged at the Criminal Sessions this morning, with stealing from his master a cash-box containing \$1,200, a "pocket-book," valued at \$1, a cheque for \$200, a cheque book, a number of papers and some Nanking stamps, and with receiving stolen property.

The Attorney-General (Mr. W. Rees Davies, K.C.), instructed by Mr. Dennis, of Messrs. Dennis and Bowley, prosecuted. The defendant, who pleaded not guilty, was represented by Mr. H. G. Calthrop, with whom was Mr. C. E. H. Beavis, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist.

The jury consisted of Messrs. W. Nicholls (foreman), H. Ruttonjee, H. R. Hertslet, P. H. J. G. Jonckheer, J. E. Danielsen, J. Wittichell and D. M. Neilson.

The Attorney-General, outlining the particulars of the case, stated that defendant was at one time in the compradore department of Messrs. Skott and Company. He had been there for over three years, leaving the business in June last. The stolen goods were kept in a safe in the compradore's room. In November last the lock of the safe got out of order and a new lock was got by the defendant. One of the keys was kept by the assistant compradore, the other being kept in the safe. During the time defendant was employed there the key was kept by him in the absence of the compradore, and he had ample time to take a cast.

Shortly after six o'clock on the afternoon of November 18th the assistant compradore went out, having locked the safe, and in the presence of a number of his brothers put away a sum of money. He was away for about an hour, and in consequence of what one of his brothers discovered he was sent for. On his return he found the safe unlocked and the money gone. At that time there was no trace of the thief, but Detective Sergeant Appleton, while examining the premises, discovered two pairs of footprints on the ledge of the window of the compradore department. There was no other way of effecting an entrance into this part of the building except through the window, which could be reached by walking along the ledge (a foot wide) which led to the window.

Suspicion fell on the defendant, and the Canton steamers were watched. From information received, Sergeant Appleton boarded the French steamer *Charles Hardouin* and arrested the defendant on the 21st—three days after the robbery had been committed. When arrested he had \$17 odd in his possession, besides a quantity of clothing. He subsequently visited defendant's lodgings and in a box he found a pocket book, which was identified by the prosecutor as his property.

In the middle of the pocket book was on elastic band which the compradore had seen on himself, making the identification clearer. Again defendant was searched and in his pockets were found two \$100 bills and two \$50 notes. The two \$50 notes formed a portion of the money recovered from the safe. Keeping money in one's pockets, the Attorney-General continued, was no uncommon thing in this country, but the very fact that defendant, having so much money in his possession, when his salary was \$15 per month, was subject for suspicion. It was always a difficult matter to identify money, but where a man is found in possession of stolen property, property which could be identified as in the case of the pocket book, the law threw the burden on him of showing how he came in possession of the goods. In the absence of any such proof the jury would be justified in finding him guilty on the second count.

Witnesses were then called to substantiate the above statements. This was continued into the afternoon, when a question arose, while Sergeant Appleton was in the witness-box, as to the manner in which the room was entered. In the absence of a plan of the house Mr. Justice Gompertz suggested that the jury should be taken to the spot, adding that it would be much easier for them to understand the case. The Attorney-General agreed, and shortly afterwards the Court rose to proceed to the office of Messrs. Skott and Company, where the inspection took place.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, Director of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 20th at 11.25 a.m.—The barometer has risen considerably over Japan and the Bonins, the depression having moved away Eastwards over the Pacific.

A slight increase of pressure has taken place also over China and the Philippines. It is still in slight to moderate defect of the normal over the former area, the highest pressure being shown over the Yellow Sea and S. Japan.

Moderate monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

FORECAST.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood, N.E. winds, moderate; fine.

2.—Formosa Channel, same as No. 1.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamouche, same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan, same as No. 1.

VOLUNTEER TROOP "AT HOME."

THE PROGRAMME.

The Hongkong Volunteer Troop, and the Hongkong Gymkhana Club will be "at home" on the polo ground on Saturday, 24th October. Following is the programme of events with list of entries:—

Judges:—Captain Hart-Synnot, D.S.O., and J. A. Jopp, Esq.
Starters:—H. P. White, Esq.
Committee:—C. E. Ross, Esq., C. H. Blason, Esq., W. S. Dupree, Esq., and R. F. C. Master, Esq., Hon. Secretary.

Prizes have very kindly been presented by Rear-Admiral and Mrs. Stokes, Messrs. A. J. Williams, H. Hancock and J. Paterson.
Mrs. Stokes has kindly consented to give away the prizes.

By kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel R. F. Broughton Glover, D.S.O., and the Officers of the 3rd Battalion Middlesex Regiment, the Band of the Regiment will play selections during the afternoon.

1.—3.00 p.m.—TENT PEGGING BY HALF SECTIONS. Two runs for all competitors after which the Judges will call for further runs if necessary.

Points:—1 for each peg carried over 20 yards 6
2 for each peg carried under 20 yards 0
1 for a touch 0
3 for speed 3
3 for style 3

Full marks for each run 12
Lieut. Ross and Trooper Gedge.

Troopers Moon and Morris.

Morley and Paterson.

Cunningham and Mackie.

Morrell and Corpl. Blason.

Maxwell and Hall.

Dupree and Hickman.

Potts and Murray Stewart.

McLraith and Morton Smith.

Daniel and Master.

2.—3.15 p.m.—POLO BALL RACE.—In pairs, alternate stroker, round a post and back through goal. All polo ponies. 1st prize and prize presented by Gymkhana Club. Entrance fee \$1 each.

Messrs. C. L. Maxwell and Capt. Finch.

H. E. Large and Capt. Davy.

Webb-Bowen and Capt. Cunningham.

Guise and Thickness.

H. G. Moore and W. B. Elwes.

H. J. Gedge and R. F. C. Master.

W. S. Dupree and Capt. Wait.

3.—3.30 p.m.—LEMON CUTTING WITH SWORDS. Start from the "Slope," "Engage," "Assault," make cuts 1, 2, on the right, Slope Swords.

Two runs for each competitor. Third runs for those called for by Judges.

Points:—3 for each sliced lemon ... 6
1 for each touch 0
3 for style 3
3 for Pace 3

Full marks for each run 12

Troopers Moon, Melbourne, Morley, Cunningham, Morrell, Maxwell, Daniel, and Gresson, Corpl. Blason, Troopers Hickman, Potts, Murray Stewart, F. C. Hall, McLraith, Paterson, Morton Smith, P. J. Gedge, Master, Dupree, Mackie, and J. Hall.

4.—3.45 p.m.—BUCKET AND APPLE RACE.—A number of tubs or buckets to be placed in a row, half filled with water, with an apple in each. Competitors to start dismounted with no saddle. Mount, ride over a hurdle to buckets and each endeavour to secure an apple with his mouth whilst holding his pony. Mount with apple in mouth ride back over hurdle. First past winning post with apple in his mouth wins. Any competitor touching the apple at any time with his hand or any part of his body except the mouth will be disqualified. Entrance fee \$1. First and second prizes presented by the Gymkhana Club. No second prize unless 5 starters.

Messrs. C. L. Maxwell, W. J. Daniel, H. F. Hickman, H. Morris, H. E. Large, Capt. Finch, Messrs. W. S. Dupree, H. J. Gedge, and R. F. C. Master.

5.—4.00 p.m.—"LED-PONY" RACE.—Conditions:—Ride one pony and lead another, (both saddled), over a figure of eight course. Ponies may be led by either bridle or head rope.

Troopers Moon, Melbourne, Cunningham, Morrell, Maxwell, Daniel, Gresson, Hickman, Potts, Murray Stewart, Hall, McLraith, Paterson, Morton Smith, Gedge, Master, Dupree, and Mackie.

6.—4.15 p.m.—LADIES' NOMINATION.—Each lady will be provided with a rossette of coloured ribbon, a streamer of the same colour to be attached to a ring. All the rings to be hung up together so that each one can be taken separately. Nominees will start at about 20 yards distant and lit at them and endeavour to take off the ring, bearing their respective nominators' colours. Should, however, a ring bearing another colour be taken off instead, the points count to the lady whose colour it is. Points will be added on or taken off for price. Three runs allowed. Two prizes, presented by the Gymkhana Club. Entrance fee \$1.

Competitors should inspect the position of the colours before going to the starting post so as to place themselves as far as possible opposite their nominators' colours.

Mr. W. J. Gresson nominated by Mrs. Gresson.

Mr. H. Morris " Mrs. Mackay.

Mr. J. Paterson " Mrs. Carter.

Mr. W. B. Elwes " Miss Layton.

Mr. W. S. Dupree " Mrs. Jopp.

Mr. R. F. C. Master " Mrs. Framant.

Mr. C. H. Blason " Mrs. Graham.

Mr. H. J. Gedge " Mrs. Gedge.

Mr. H. E. Moon " "

Mr. W. J. Daniel " "

Mr. H. E. Large " "

Mr. F. S. Clark " "

Capt. Cunningham.

Capt. Finch.

Mr. W. Webb-Bowen.

Capt. Briley.

7.—4.30 p.m.—VICTORIA CROSS RACE. Conditions:—Single entries. Dummies representing wounded men will be placed on the ground at a point indicated. Troopers to gallop up to their dummies under fire, lift same on to their saddles and return to winning post.

Troopers Moon, Melbourne, Morley, Cunningham, Morrell, Maxwell, Daniel and Gresson, Corpl. Blason, Troopers Hickman, Potts, Murray Stewart, Morris, F. C. Hall, McLraith, Morton Smith, Gedge, Dupree, Master, Mackie, and J. Hall.

8.—4.45 p.m.—HAT RACE. Competitors to ride over a hurdle to point where their helmets will be placed on the ground, pick up helmet without dismounting, ride on over a hurdle to winning post. First past winning post with helmet on head to win. First and second prizes presented by Gymkhana Club. Entrance fee \$1.

Messrs. H. E. Moon, C. L. Maxwell, W. J. Daniel, H. F. Hickman, H. Morris, H. E. Large, and J. Paterson, Capt. Finch and Briley, Messrs. H. J. Gedge, Mr. W. S. Dupree, and Mr. R. F. C. Master.

9.—5.00 p.m.—LADIES' NOMINATION RACE. Troopers to be nominated by a lady. Ladies to line up in front of Grand Stand. Start from a point indicated, ride up to a tethering post, undo head rope, remove bridle, and tie up pony to post. With bridle on your arm, run up to lady and hand her your tunic with all buttons off and chain straps unhooked. Lady to put in buttons and fix on straps, and assist her partner to put on his tunic, which must be properly buttoned up, etc., as if for a parade. Return to pony unbridled from post, put on bridle, tie up head rope, mount and ride past winning post.

Lieut. Ross nominated by Mrs. Stokes.

Corporal Blason " Mrs. Graham.

Trooper Gresson " Mrs. Gresson.

" Morton Smith " Mrs. Barrett.

" Dupree " Miss Layton.

" Master " Mrs. Mackay.

" Potts " Miss Potts.

" Gedge " Mrs. Gedge.

" Moon " "

" Melbourne " "

" Cunningham " "

" Morrell " "

" Daniel " "

" Hickman " "

" Murray Stewart " "

" Morris " "

" Mackie " "

" Hall " "

10.—5.15 p.m.—THE "DO-BE-QUICK" RACE. DISTANCE ABOUT 1 MILE. FOR CHINA PONIES. For ladies and gentlemen to be entered in pairs. Pairs must pass winning post together to qualify for a win. In the event of more than 6 couples entering, a third prize will be given. A prize will be awarded to best descriptive name for this race to be sent in with entries. First and second prizes presented by Gymkhana Club. Entrance fee \$1 each.

Mr. W. J. Gresson and Mrs. Gresson.

Mr. J. Paterson and Miss Layton.

Mr. Lee and Mr. Lee.

Mr. R. F. C. Master and Miss Mutter.

11.—5.30 p.m.—ALPHA AND OMEGA RACE.—For China ponies. Competitors to be drawn in pairs at starting post—all start together and ride to a given point where they will dismount and the two riders in each pair will change ponies with each other. All will then race for the winning post. Two prizes will be given—one for the first rider in, and the other to go to the owner of the pony last in. Should the owner of the last pony and first rider in be identical he will be awarded one prize only (as first rider in). The other prize to go to owner of last pony but one. All ponies must, in the opinion of the judges, be ridden to best advantage, i.e., to come in first. Entrance fee \$1. 1st and 2nd prizes presented by the Gymkhana Club.

Messrs. H. E. Moon, C. L. Maxwell, W. J. Daniel, W. J. Gresson, C. H. Blason, H. F. Hickman, H. Morris, H. E. Large, and F. S. Clark, Capt. Finch, Messrs. W. Webb-Bowen and H. G. Moore, Capt. Briley, Messrs. Guise, Thickness, W. B. Elwes, H. J. Gedge, R. F. C. Master, and W. S. Dupree.

12.—5.45 p.m.—BALACLAVA MELKE.—Conditions:—To be competed for by half the troop versus the other half. Leaders will be selected and they will select the teams by lot. No spurs allowed. Competitors will be provided with dummy swords and cockades half the troop blue, the other half red. The object of the competition is to knock off your opponents' cockades. Opponents' ponies may not be hit, competitors must keep within boundaries marked A B C D and retire at once when cockade is knocked off.

Trooper Gedge's Team Corpl. Blason's Team

Lieut. C. H. Ross Trooper Daniel

Trooper Mackie " Melbourne

" Potts " J. Hall

" M. Smith " Hickman

" M. Stewart " Maxwell

" McLraith " Moon

" Morley " Walker

" Master " Dupree

" F. C. Hall " Morrell

" Weston " Morris

" Paterson " Cunningham

" King " Lee.

Rear-Admiral and Mrs. Stokes have kindly presented a Cup for the Member of the Troop scoring most marks in the events confined to the Troop.

ONE hundred kilos of opium were confiscated on board the British steamer *Tean* on 15th inst, says the local *Times*. The *Tean* came to Manila from Amoy and brought a large number of Chinese coolies from that port. Secret service officers of the customs service made a close search of the vessel after her arrival at this port and in the hold covered by other cargo they came upon twenty tons of the drug, which held about 100 kilos. There was no way in which the ships' officers could be connected with bringing in the drug and so the ship was not held by the customs authorities.

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Hongkong, 20th October, 1908. [930]

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STORY OF A PAIR OF BOOTS.

STRANGE BEHAVIOUR IN A LEATHER ARTIST'S "PARLOUR."

If Pan Shing only knew what was going to happen he would surely have fixed on a rubber heel to the boots Mrs. Parson used on his forehead. But as he did not do so he now bears a very tell-tale plaster on that portion of his cranium.

Pan Shing is a shoemaker of 17, Wellington Street. Mrs. Parson gave her address as 1, Beaconsfield Arcade. This morning, in the Police Court, before Mr. J. R. Wood, she prosecuted the shoemaker for alleged assault, and he brought a counter-charge for a similar offence.

A pair of boots was the cause of all the trouble. According to Mrs. Parson's story she took a pair of boots to the shoemaker's shop on the 15th instant to get them repaired. There were revolving rubber heels attached to them. A few days later she sent her "boy" to fetch them back, but he returned empty-handed, saying that they could not be got until the afternoon she went herself to interview the shoemaker. She examined the boots and discovered that the rubber heels had been removed. She questioned him about them and the only reply she could get from him was that they had been thrown into the "rubbish basket." She demanded that the heels should be replaced, but her wish was refused, and as she was leaving the shop she alleged that the shoemaker seized her by the arm. This angered her and she struck him.

His Worship—You struck him on the forehead where that plaster is?—Yes.

The shoemaker's story was to the effect that on the afternoon in question Mrs. Parson gave him two pairs of boots to be half-soled. One pair had no rubber heels; and the other had only one heel fixed. He had the boots repaired and a few days later she called for them. "She examined the boots carefully and demanded two rubber heels. I refused to do so seeing that there were none on the boots when they were brought to me." She was going to take the boots away without paying for them, and I stopped her. She then created a disturbance. I told her that I was a business man and would not allow such behaviour in my shop. She persisted, and threatened to take me to the police station. Just then she picked up a boot and struck me on the forehead." The shoemaker blew a great deal. A policeman was called and the party adjourned to headquarters.

His Worship found that Mrs. Parson was to blame and imposed a fine of \$4. The shoemaker was discharged.

A CHINAMAN'S DEATH.

CORONER'S INQUIRY.

An inquiry was held this afternoon by Mr. J. H. Kemp, at the Police Court, into the circumstances surrounding the death of one Chan Po, a Chinaman, who met his death on the 3rd inst. at the Aberdeen Paper Mills through the bursting of a steam pipe. The following gentlemen composed the jury:—Messrs. W. C. Jack, R. R. Hynd and H. L. Muhl.

Mr. W. A. Crane, Assistant Marine Surveyor, Harbour Office, was called to give evidence. He spoke to having examined, with Mr. W. Russell, the steam pipe, which was of cast iron, and was satisfied that some flaw existed in it prior to the accident.

Mr. Lan Ying Pak, the manager of the Aberdeen Paper Mills, said that the usual pressure of the pipe was 75 lbs. The pipe was covered with asbestos. Asked as to whether it was his duty to see that the pipes were taken down and tested every four years, as had been suggested by Mr. Crane, witness replied that that would come under the province of Mr. Bailey, of Messrs. W. S. Bailey & Co., who was the Consulting Engineer. They were not, however, accustomed to do that.

Mr. Bailey gave corroborative evidence.

The jury found that death was due to misadventure. There was no negligence on anyone's part, and further added that steam pipes on land ought to be controlled just the same as afloat.

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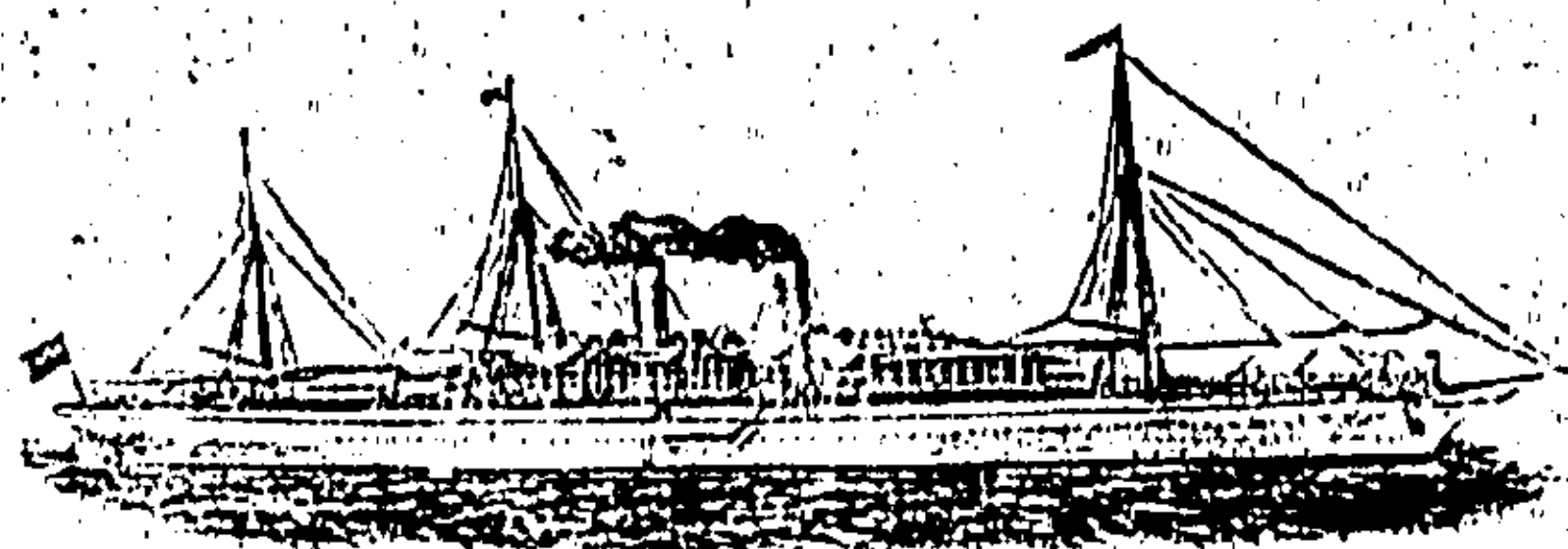
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HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

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BUTCHER MEAT.

Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mei Lung Pa. B. 18

" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk 18

" Roast—Shiu 18

" Breast—Ngau Lam 13

" Soup, Tong Yuk 15

" Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa 18

" Sirloin—Ngau Lau 28

" Sausages—Ngau Yuk Chung 30

Bullock's Brains—Know per set 10

" Tongue fresh—Ngau Li each 50

" Corned—Ham Ngau Li 58

" Head—Ngau Tau 80

" Heart—Ngau Sum per lb 12

" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin 18

" Feet—Ngau Keok each 7

" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu 10

" Tail—Ngau Mei 17

" Liver—Ngau Con 12

" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To 7

Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-tau-keok set \$1.00

Mutton Chop—Yeung Pai Kwat 22

" Leg—Yeung Pei 22

" Shoulder—Yeung Shau 20

Pigs' Chittlings—Chi cheung 24

" Brains—Chi Kwai per set 2

" Feet—Chi Keok 12

" Fry—Chi Chak 15

" Head—

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION. BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.								
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	120,000	\$125	\$125	{ \$1,500,000 \$14,000,000 \$250,000 }	\$2,005,774	{ Interim of £2 for first half year @ ex 1/2 = \$21.042	5 1/2 %	{ \$800 { London £80
National Bank of China, Limited	9,925	£7	£6	{ £4,000 \$150,000 }	\$10,223	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1903	...	\$50
MARINE INSURANCES.								
Ganton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	{ \$1,500,000 \$219,058 \$401,959 \$125,000 Tls. 100,000 Tls. 48,942 }	none	\$20 for 1906	10 %	\$200
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£5	{ \$3,000,000 \$600,000 \$304,478 \$129,095 \$1,000,000 \$199,032 \$55,137 \$1,000,000 \$246,007 \$13,802 \$1,123,941 }	Tls. 204,424	Interim of 7/6 ex 2/5 for 1907	6 %	Tls. 8 1/2 buyers
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	{ \$3,000,000 \$600,000 \$304,478 \$129,095 \$1,000,000 \$199,032 \$55,137 \$1,000,000 \$246,007 \$13,802 \$1,123,941 }	\$2,506,011	{ Final of \$10 making \$45 for 1906 and Interim of \$30 for 1907	5 1/2 %	\$785
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